

# Congress of the United States

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## SUPPORT AMERICA'S CONTINUED LEADERSHIP IN SPACE AND AERONAUTICS RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

Dear Colleague,

We invite you to sign a letter to Chairman Wolf and Ranking Member Mollohan in support of NASA funding in the FY07 SSJC Appropriations bill. As you know, technology and innovation – and the jobs they create – are a vital force behind our nation's economic engine and have played a major role in America's prosperity. NASA continues to advance U.S. scientific, security, education and economic interests through its cutting edge work in aeronautics, exploration and science. NASA has inspired and motivated the next generation of explorers through the Agency's visible research, enabling technologies, and exciting discoveries. We ask you to join us in expressing our strong support for fully funding NASA as a part of our federal science and technology portfolio.

If you would like to sign onto the letter, or if you have any questions, please contact Leslee Gilbert (Hall) at 5-6673, Tim Bergreen (Schiff) at 5-4176, or Lee Arnold (Feeney) at 5-2706 COB Friday, May 12. Thank you for your consideration.

  
Ralph Hall, M.C.                      Adam Schiff, M.C.                      Tom Feeney, M.C.

Dear Chairman Wolf and Ranking Member Mollohan:

We appreciate the strong leadership that you have shown in tackling many of the challenges that affect the scientific and technological capabilities of our great nation. We specifically would like to acknowledge and thank each of you for your clear record of support for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration over many years.

We write to you today to express our strong support for NASA's Fiscal Year 2007 requested funding level of \$16.792 billion at a minimum.

As you know, technology developed by NASA has served as an engine of innovation that has driven our nation's economic growth since the Agency's inception. Scientific and technological advances developed through NASA programs have been integrated into our military's efforts to provide for the defense of our nation. In addition, NASA's efforts played a key role in building a strong technological foundation for America's competitiveness in an increasingly high-tech global marketplace, and in educating our nation's next generation of scientists and engineers.

Sustaining America's technological superiority in space and aeronautics will be key to the long-term interests of our nation. We look forward to working with you during the FY07 appropriations process to help strengthen NASA and its role in maintaining our nation's leadership in science and technology.

Thank you for your consideration of our views on this important issue.

Best regards,